(c) whether Government are aware that several important defence/missile related machineries were being smuggled to Pak through that ship; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI V. DHANANJAYA KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) One hundred forty eight (148) Boxes said to contain "Machines and Water—refining equipment", but which on detailed examination with the help of experts, were found to be various parts and componnents of missiles including machines for making missiles, hand written note books, printed text books, printing design and blue prints of missiles etc. were seized on 11.7.1999, under the provisions of Customs Act, 1962 read with provisions of the Arms Act, 1959. The vessel "Ku Wol San" was also subsequently seized.

(c) and (d) There is no categorical evidence available with the Government to establish that several important defence/missile related machines/components/documents found on board the aforesaid Vessel were being carried for smuggling to Pak. As per the import manifest filed by the Steamer Agents of the aforesaid North Korean Ship, the goods were consigned to M/s. Malta Economic Joint Corporation, Malta. However, secret information received before detention of the vessel had indicated that the wooden boxes apparently meant for Malta contained arms & ammunitions, meant for unloading at Karachi port. On detention of the vessel and detailed examination, the goods as mentioned above were found and the same were seized alongwith the ship. After detailed investigations, Show-Cause-Notices have since been issued to the concerned persons under the Customs Act, 1962.

Decline in Foreign capital investment in the country

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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether it is a fact that the amount of foreign investment in the country has declined during first half of the year 1999-2000 as compared to that in 1998-99;

(b) if so, what was the amount of foreign capital investment in the industries of the country during the first six months of the years 1998-99 and 1999-2000 respectively; and

(c) what was the industry-wise percentage of such investment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALA SAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) Yes Sir, there has been some decrease in the amount of foreign direct investment and technical collaboration approvals.

(b) During the first six months of 1998-99 the amount of approvals was Rs. 15811.31 crore and during 1999-2000 it has been Rs. 10926.61 crore.

(c) Industry-wise breakup of percentage of these approvals is given in the statement.

Statement

Industry wise break up of percentage of the total amount of approvals during first six months of the years.

SI. No.	Industry	Percentage	
		1998-99	1999-2000
1.	Metallurgical Industries	12.12	7.09
2.	Fuels	50.13	19.48
3.	Boilers and steam generating Plants	0.01	0.26
4.	Prime movers other than electricals	0.16	—
5.	Electrical equipments	4.73	14.78
6.	Telecommunications	5.60	2.27
7.	Transportation Industry	6.16	27.56
8.	Industrial Machinery & other misc. Industrial items	8.67	12.68
9.	Misc. consumer industries & Consultancy Services	5.57	4.28
10	Service sector	2.86	2.97
11	Hotel and tourism	3.01	6.S6
12	Trading	0.13	0.33
13	Misc. industries	0.85	1.74